

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,**

**Plaintiff,**

**VS.**

**ROBERT McFARLAND,**

**Defendant.**

**CASE NO. 8:05CR116**

## TENTATIVE FINDINGS

The Court has received the Revised Presentence Investigation Report (“Revised PSR”) and the Defendant’s objections thereto (Filing No. 95). The government has adopted the PSR. (Filing No. 90.) See Order on Sentencing Schedule, ¶ 6. The Court advises the parties that these Tentative Findings are issued with the understanding that, pursuant to *United States v. Booker*, 2005 WL 50108 (U.S. Jan. 12, 2005), the sentencing guidelines are advisory.

The Defendant objects to ¶ 71, arguing that placement in criminal history category over represents the Defendant's criminal history. This argument, although posed as an objection, should be raised and will be considered as a motion for downward departure pursuant to U.S.S.G. § 4A1.3. The Court notes the Defendant's lengthy criminal history and contacts with law enforcement beginning at age 9 and continuing steadily throughout his juvenile and adult years, culminating with the instant offense. The motion for downward departure is denied.

IT IS ORDERED:

1. The Defendant's Objection to the Revised PSR, considered as a motion for downward departure, (Filing No. 95) is denied;

2. Otherwise the Court's tentative findings are that the Revised PSR is correct in all respects;

3. If **any** party wishes to challenge these tentative findings, the party shall immediately file in the court file and serve upon opposing counsel and the Court a motion challenging these tentative findings, supported by (a) such evidentiary materials as are required (giving due regard to the requirements of the local rules of practice respecting the submission of evidentiary materials), (b) a brief as to the law, and (c) if an evidentiary hearing is requested, a statement describing why an evidentiary hearing is necessary and an estimated length of time for the hearing;

4. Absent submission of the information required by paragraph 3 of this Order, my tentative findings may become final; and

5. Unless otherwise ordered, any motion challenging these tentative findings shall be resolved at sentencing.

DATED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2005.

BY THE COURT:

s/Laurie Smith Camp  
United States District Judge